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Mr. Ralph Preston, Staff Assistant
Committee on Appropriations
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C. 20515

Dear Ralph:

I will be retiring from active Government service the end of this month having completed more than forty-two years. The last twenty-five of these have been with the Central Intelligence Agency, the first seventeen having been in the Army from which I was retired in 1947 as a result of combat disability incurred during World War II.

Through the years you have always been accessible and available to discuss problems of mutual concern and interest. I very much appreciate your wise counsel and able assistance. You have made a great contribution to intelligence for which we are most grateful and I have thoroughly enjoyed both our professional and personal association.

Many thanks and best wishes.

Sincerely,

L. K. White

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